

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2361

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DEVELOPMENT WORK IN NAXALITE AFFECTED AREAS

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa has sent any comprehensive proposal for the all round development in naxalite affected areas of the State;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the proposal is likely to be cleared by the Union Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a),(b)&(c): An Action Plan from Government of Orissa, seeking Central assistance amounting to Rs.268.84 crores for providing communication, Education, Health Services, Housing, Rural electrification, safe drinkingwater etc. in identified areas of Orissa prone to extremist activities, was recommended to the Planning Commission in December, 1998 with the request to earmark separate funds for the purpose. The Planning Commission, raised certain issues in response regarding institutional measures to make the administration responsible and strengthen delivery mechanism through greater involvement of the people and suggested the preparation of a detailed strategy in this regard, certain aspects of which can be supported. The State Government has been informed accordingly.